

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

CASE NO: 24-CR-20295-JB

Plaintiff,

vs.

BRYAN TOCHON-LOPEZ,
WILMER MOISES BARSELO,
JOSE FELICIANO LEMOS,
JESUS RODRIGUEZ,
LUIS ANDRES ZUNIAGA,
JORGE LUIS LOPEZ-ASTUDILLO,
EULIDES OLIVEROS-LUGO,
STIVEN JOSE FLORES

Defendants.

UNOPPOSED JOINT MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE OF TRIAL

Defendants, **BRAYAN TOCHON-LOPEZ, WILMER MOISES BARSELO, JOSE FELICIANO LEMOS, JESUS RODRIGUEZ, LUIS ANDRES ZUNIAGA, JORGE LUIS LOPEZ-ASTUDILLO, EULIDES OLIVEROS-LUGO, and STIVEN JOSE FLORES**, by and through their counsel, and in accordance with *18 U.S.C. §3161(h)(7)* and *S.D. Fla. L.R. 7.6*, hereby file this Unopposed Joint Motion for Continuance of the currently set trial date. As grounds in support of this request, the Defendants state:

1. On or about June 26, 2024, the Defendants were arrested after being intercepted upon the high seas and elsewhere outside the jurisdiction of any particular State or district.
2. On July 11th, 2024, the Government filed an indictment charging the Defendants with Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance While On Board a Vessel



Subject to the Jurisdiction of the United States (Count 1) and Possession with Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance While On Board a Vessel Subject to the Jurisdiction of the United States.

3. On July 22nd, 2024, the Defendants were arraigned in this matter [DE 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22].

4. On or about July 22, 2024, the Government provided discovery to Defendants.

5. On February 12, 2025, Defendants filed their Joint Motion to Dismiss. [DE 71]. On or about February 26th, 2025, the Government filed its Response to the Defendants' Joint Motion to Dismiss. [DE 77]. On or about March 5th, 2025, the Defendants filed their Reply to the Government's Response. [DE 82].

6. On or about February 25th, 2025, this Honorable Court referred the Defendants' Joint Motion to Dismiss to the Honorable Magistrate Edwin G. Torres. [DE 76]. On April 4th, 2025, Magistrate Torres entered a Report and Recommendation recommending that the Defendants' Joint Motion to Dismiss be denied. [DE 86]. On April 18th, the Defendants filed Joint Objections to the Report and Recommendation filed by Magistrate Torres. [DE 89].

7. A jury trial on this matter is currently set for the two-week period commencing June 2, 2025, with a Calendar Call scheduled for May 27th, 2025. [DE 92].

8. Defendants request a continuance of the trial date until after the Defendants' Joint Motion to Dismiss and their Objections to the Magistrate's Report and Recommendation has been finally disposed of.

9. Additionally, counsel for Defendant Tochon advised that she will be out of the country from May 24 through June 8th on a prepaid vacation.



10. This Motion is being filed in good faith, in the interests of judicial economy to afford the Parties the proper opportunity to resolve this matter without the need for a trial, and in furtherance of providing Defendants effective assistance of counsel. This Motion is not being filed for purposes of undue delay.

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On May 15th, 2025, the undersigned conferred with AUSA Yvonne Rodriguez-Shack who advised that the Government does not object to the Court granting this Motion for Continuance. Additionally, after conferral with counsel for the codefendants, the codefendants join in the motion.

WHEREFORE, Defendants, **BRAYAN TOCHON-LOPEZ, WILMER MOISES BARSELO, JOSE FELICIANO LEMOS, JESUS RODRIGUEZ, LUIS ANDRES ZUNIAGA, JORGE LUIS LOPEZ-ASTUDILLO, EULIDES OLIVEROS-LUGO**, and **STIVEN JOSE FLORES**, respectfully pray that this Honorable Court grant the Defendants' Joint Motion for Continuance of trial, enter an Order continuing this case to, at least, a date in July 2025, so that the Defendants' Joint Motion to Dismiss and their Objections to the Magistrate's Report and Recommendation are finally disposed of, and for any other relief the Court deems proper and just under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was electronically filed via *CM/ECF* this 16th day of May 2025, and a courtesy copy of the foregoing furnished via email to all counsel of record.

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